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OPERATIONS DIRECTORATE SUPPORT OFFICERS NOTES

27 September 1973

In view of the conference on 23-25 September, we have canceled the Wednesday afternoon Support Officers' meeting. There follow some items of general interest.

1. The DD/M&S Career Board for supergrade rotations for next summer should be meeting soon.

2. The State Department has finally conceded to Libya and will use Arabic in passport visas; [REDACTED]

3. The Ames Cafeteria will be open to all government employees sometime in October. There will be an announcement.

4. Logistics is having problems in the procurement and shipment of official vehicles to the field. They plan to draft a book dispatch on this.

5. Arrangements are being made for Family Day visitation on the last Saturday of October and the first few Saturdays in November. We asked for estimates, but received replies from only [REDACTED] EA, EUR, Div D and Ops Staff. We anticipate the DDO date as 17 November. An appropriate bulletin will be issued on this.

6. ISG is interested in hiring contract wives as GS-04/05 clerks for either part-time or full time employment involving indexing, filing, records, etc. Wives who have been exposed to overseas employment would prove to be most useful. If you are aware of any wives interested in employment, please contact [REDACTED] ISG/SS.

7. Central Processing Branch has been advised to avoid, for the time being, scheduling people on [REDACTED] There has been a terrorist threat in the area. Therefore, SSA-DD/M&S will authorize foreign air from [REDACTED] Please note that U.S. carriers should be used to the nearest logical point of transfer.

8. Mr. Oliver, the new OMB Examiner, has completed his TDY inspection/orientation trip and has returned well impressed with our overseas activities, including our field communications organization.

9. The DDO at a recent meeting reminded staff and division chiefs that one or the other must be available "on call" at all times and the DDO duty officer should be kept informed as to who is the "on call" officer.

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10. The Office of Personnel expects the cost-of-living index to go up between 4.4. and 6 percent by 1 January 1974. This may induce additional retirements.

11. On Sunday, the 23rd, Fairfax Police Department put on a demonstration in the cafeteria using dogs to search out explosives. The dogs proved to be very effective.

12. We are attempting to coordinate a book cable to all field stations which would authorize field stations to follow State policy for exceptions to rules on non-shipment of foreign POV's. State telegram 170574, 27 August 73, outlines the exceptions.

14. We have initiated appropriate action to obtain blanket approval to reduce non-staff/foreign local service personnel quarterly reports to annual (30 June) reports. In addition, we are seeking confirmation from Director of Personnel that Headquarters need simply advise the field that specified PSI's will be acted on unless the field responds negatively.

15. [REDACTED] has been designated senior national intelligence officer reporting to the DCI.

16. Person

June 73  
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Sept 73  
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17. There were 17 security violations for the month of August - Div D had 4; NE and SB had 3; EUR and [REDACTED] each had 2; and EA, PS and [REDACTED] each had 1.

18. At the next meeting we would like to discuss a matter brought up by H G [REDACTED] dealing with standardization of procedures for non-DDO foreign TDY's. This includes the staff study, T/O and cable.

19. Another item which we will discuss is the procedure for travelers visiting [REDACTED]

20. A third item for discussion will be the inconsistency of treatment concerning the coordination of advice cables pertaining to TDY travelers visiting or passing through DDO installations where there will be no official contact.

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